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RESERVES.
Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.
DETAILS.
On duty from the morning of Sunday,
the 17th December to the morning of
Sunday, the 24th December "A" Co.
H.K.V.R.
Orderly Officer—2nd Lieut. R. Sutherland.
Next for duty H.K.V.C.
PARADES FOR NEXT WEEK.
Monday, 19th inst.—
"B" Co. Musketry—The following
members of "B" Co. will parade at
Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry.
Dress: Drill order. Ptes. J. Jack, A. D.
Macdonald, E. White, C. G. Alabaster,
F. Allan, H. Coombe, E. J. Joseph, E. M.
Raymond, A. M. Stark, F. W. Stapleton,
J. R. Wood, A. G. M. Fletcher, R.
McGregor, H. O. Holt, N. G. Nolan, J.
Paterson, H. W. Page, F. C. Coleman,
J. Garraway, E. L. Hoole, A. R. Kinross,
R. Mitchell, D. Neilson, P. Oliver, D.
Steel, W. Taylor, R. Gray, A. Hamilton,
A. Miller, G. Morrison, R. D. Harvey,
W. Sinclair, P. J. Falconer, H. Palmer,
F. E. Hall, R. A. Ramsey, G. R. Cuthill,
J. Macdonald, R. F. Mattingley, A. P.
Goldsmith, C. H. P. Hay, K. E. Greig.
Tuesday, 20th inst.—
"B" Co. Musketry—The following
members of "B" Co. will parade at
Blake Pier at 3.30 p.m. for Musketry.
Dress: Drill order. Ptes. J. Jack, A. D.
Macdonald, E. White, C. G. Alabaster,
F. Allan, H. Coombe, E. J. Joseph, E. M.
Raymond, A. M. Stark, F. W. Stapleton,
J. R. Wood, A. G. M. Fletcher, R.
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F. E. Hall, R. A. Ramsey, G. R. Cuthill,
J. Macdonald, R. F. Mattingley, A. P.
Goldsmith, C. H. P. Hay, K. E. Greig.

Wednesday, 21st inst.—
"A" and "B" Co. Musketry—The
following members of "A" and "B"
Cos. will parade at Blake Pier at 8.30 p.m.
for Musketry. Dress: Drill order. Serjt.
G. C. Moron, Corp. V. Daniel, L/Cpl.
J. C. Logan, Ptes. E. A. Walker, A.
J. J. Brook, J. Carr, W. Anderson, F. A.
Coleman, F. A. Macintosh, K. McLennan,
H. Elson.
Thursday, 22nd inst.—
"A" and "B" Co. Musketry—The
names of members to parade at Blake
Pier at 8.30 p.m. for Musketry will be
published later. Dress: Drill order.
FIELD OPERATIONS.
Field Operations will take place on
Thursday, the 22nd inst., or Friday, the
23rd inst. Details of which will be
notified later.
APPOINTMENTS.
The Officer Commanding is pleased to
make the following appointments—
Pte. P. D. Sutherland to be Lance
Corporal and posted to Platoon No. V.
Section 3.
Pte. E. F. Abbott to be Lance Corporal
and posted to Platoon No. IV. Section 15.
Pte. A. O. Lang to be Lance Corporal
and posted to Platoon No. II. Section 7.
Pte. H. C. B. Hancock to be Lance
Corporal and posted to Platoon No. III.
Section 11.
Pte. S. Luck to be Lance Corporal and
posted to Platoon No. VII. Section 12.
Pte. P. C. Goodman to be Lance
Corporal and posted to Platoon No. VI.
Section 5.
Pte. W. H. Bell to be Lance Corporal
and posted to Platoon No. I. Section 3.
Pte. H. Palmer to be Lance Corporal
and posted to Platoon No. VI. Section 6.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1916.

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Central Police Station between the hours
of 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. and 2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
Applicants will be required to produce
Passports or identification papers. All
persons, with certain exceptions, who
remain in the Colony for more than
7 days are required to register them-
selves under the REGISTRATION OF
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of Registration giving the particulars
required may be obtained at the G.P.O.
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£23,970,367.
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—Fire Funds £3,637,067
—Life & Annuity Funds £1,597,860
—Sinking Fund Account £23,970,367
Revenue Fire Branch £2,361,456
"Life and Annuity" £1,141,693
Revenue Marine Department £27,533
Other Receipts £78,940
£3,593,622

The Administrative Funds of the various
Branches are separately invested, and, by
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8 A.M. 'HEUNGSHAN' 8 A.M. 'FATSHAN'
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10 P.M. 'KINSHAN' P.M. 'FATSHAN'

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Week days at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M. Sunday's at 7.30 A.M. and 2 P.M.
EXCURSION TO MACAO.
SUNDAY, 17th DECEMBER.
The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN,"
will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF at 8 A.M.
and return from Macao at 2 P.M.
N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at
7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street
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Hongkong, April 1, 1916.

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(4) No person may hold more than 500 £1 Certificates or their equivalent.

The £1 Certificates (purchase price 15s. 6d.) are issued in book form. The Certificates for £10 (purchase price 29s. 6d.) and £25 (purchase price £1 7s. 6d.) are issued without books. The £1, £10, and £25 Certificates are on sale at local Post Offices and at most Banks.

Single Certificates for sums from £100 to £500 may be obtained on application to the Comptroller and Assistant General, General Post Office, London; application forms are available at all Post Offices and at most Banks.

If Certificates be lost, and the serial numbers can be furnished to the Controller of the Money Order Department, new Certificates will be issued at a charge of 1s.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, LONDON, June, 1916.

(For examples of Investment in War Savings Certificates, see the other side.)

Examples of Investment in War Savings Certificates

Value after	4 years	5 years	6 years	7 years	8 years	9 years	10 years
£100	£104 10s. 0d.	£109 10s. 0d.	£114 10s. 0d.	£119 10s. 0d.	£124 10s. 0d.	£129 10s. 0d.	£134 10s. 0d.
£50	£52 10s. 0d.	£54 10s. 0d.	£56 10s. 0d.	£58 10s. 0d.	£60 10s. 0d.	£62 10s. 0d.	£64 10s. 0d.
£25	£26 10s. 0d.	£27 10s. 0d.	£28 10s. 0d.	£29 10s. 0d.	£30 10s. 0d.	£31 10s. 0d.	£32 10s. 0d.
£10	£10 10s. 0d.	£11 10s. 0d.	£12 10s. 0d.	£13 10s. 0d.	£14 10s. 0d.	£15 10s. 0d.	£16 10s. 0d.
£5	£5 10s. 0d.	£6 10s. 0d.	£7 10s. 0d.	£8 10s. 0d.	£9 10s. 0d.	£10 10s. 0d.	£11 10s. 0d.
£2	£2 10s. 0d.	£3 10s. 0d.	£4 10s. 0d.	£5 10s. 0d.	£6 10s. 0d.	£7 10s. 0d.	£8 10s. 0d.

N.B.—The investment may be any multiple of 15s. 6d. up to £500.

INTIMATIONS

LECTURE AND GOVERNMENT HOUSE

CAPTAIN PELLICOT has kindly consented to give a LECTURE on "Central Asia as the meeting-point of Eastern and Western Civilizations," on THURSDAY, the 21st December, at 8.15 P.M.

All those who are interested are cordially invited.

By kind permission of His Excellency The Governor, the Lecture will be given in the ball-room at Government House, H. E. POLLOCK, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Old Volume Society, Hongkong, Dec. 15. 1338

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB

BOGEY COMPETITION.

A CUP has kindly been presented for a BOGEY COMPETITION at FANLING on December 23rd, 24th and 25th.

Entrance Fee \$2.00 each Round. Players may take out as many cards as they like during the three days.

Proceeds to be given to War Charities.

MIXED FOURSOME COMPETITION.

TWO CUPS have kindly been presented for a MIXED FOURSOME COMPETITION on Boxing Day, 19th December, at Fanling. The competition will be played under Handicaps. Entrance Fee \$3.00 per couple. Proceeds to be given to War Charities. Players select their own opponents. Entries close at Fanling, December 20th, 10 A.M.

W. D. KRAFT,

Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Dec. 13, 1916. 1338

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the demand for Electricity has almost reached the limit of the capacity of the present Generating Plant, and a result no further applications for new connections can be accepted as from 1st January next, until completion of the New Power Station at North Point. It was fully expected that the North Point Station would have been completed and running before now, but owing to the War work in respect of the new plant has been considerably delayed.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 14, 1916. 1338

NOTICE.

IN THE GOODS OF EDBERT ANSGAR HEWITT C.M.G. of the Wellington Club Grosvenor Place in the County of Middlesex England, late manager of The Peninsula and Oriental Steam Navigation Company in Hongkong deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1907 made an Order Limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their claims against the above Estate to the 30th day of December, 1916.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the Undersigned on or before that date.

Dated 27th day of November, 1916.

JOHNSON STOKES & MASTER, Solicitors for the Executors

Princes Buildings, Lee House Street, Hongkong.

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LUSTIANO RECREATION CLUB.

MEMBERS are hereby notified that the "Go-as-you-please" Race has been postponed to the 14th January, 1917.

Entries close on the 8th January, 1917.

A. M. O. REMEDIOS, Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Dec. 13, 1916. 1331

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MR. L. HON YAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher in the Chinese and English in this Colony for ten years. He has a good method of teaching European pupils in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate knowledge of the Chinese language. He has also a good knowledge of English and is able to teach the Chinese language to European pupils. Those who are desirous of learning the Chinese language are requested to write to "China Mail" Office at No. 10, Wellington Street, second floor.

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THE NEW PHENOL REMEDY.

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THERAPY NO. 10

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KAISHA.

HALF-YEARLY REPORT.

The regular general meeting of shareholders of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha was held on the 29th ult. at the Tokio Chamber of Commerce building to receive the report and accounts for the six months ending September 30th. The following is a summary of the accounts:

	Yen.
Net profit for the term	17,243,809
Balance brought forward from last term	7,029,438
Total	24,273,247

	Yen.
To legal reserve	862,180
Bonuses to officials	200,000
Allowances to employees both on land and sea during the year	400,000
Dividend (10 per cent. annum)	1,000,000
Second Dividend (18 per cent. per annum)	2,475,000
Special Dividend (13 per cent. per annum)	2,475,000
Carried to next term	17,243,809

The business report of the Company for the term (as published by the *Yokohama Specie Bank*) is as follows:

During the six months from April 1st to September 30th, the Company employed 89 of its steamers, aggregating over 457,000 tons, both in the domestic and foreign service, and a specially commissioned vessel of over 3,700 tons, as well as over 100 chartered vessels. The cargo carried amounted to over 2,470,000 tons, and the passengers numbered over 138,000. The distances covered by the steamers totaled 2,468,000 nautical miles.

The Company's service in the Pacific was generally inactive, on account of business depression and the low price of rice. Especially was this the case between the Hokkaido and the Main Island.

There were, however, brisk shipments of sugar and timber from Formosa. The passenger service was also brisk. On the Japanese routes, the Company's service was especially active owing to the suspension of imports from Europe. On the outgoing voyages the liners of the Company carried larger consignments both from North and South China than during the preceding term. The trade with Shanghai was very brisk. In addition to the regular liners the Company several times chartered vessels. On the return voyages shipments were smaller, due to the steady rise in the price of silver and other causes. On the Vladivostok route the shipments from Japan were brisk. On the Chosen and Tsingtau routes there was some improvement as compared with the preceding term. Passengers generally showed an increase.

The European Service.—On the outgoing voyages there were large shipments of goods, and the additional chartered vessels, which the date for the prohibition of certain imports to England was near at hand, shipments were considerable. Foreign vessels on the service were very few, the result being the accumulation of large quantities of merchandise at the various ports. Twelve chartered vessels were, in addition to the regular liners, employed to cope with the situation. For the shipments from Japan the regular liners had to reserve half their space and the additional chartered vessels, by the whole thereof. Consequently the shipment of goods beyond Shanghai were comparatively small. On the homeward voyages the liners experienced some difficulty in securing cargo, because of the policy of Great Britain, which the calls at Antwerp and Margalle were practically suspended. The chartered vessels, after discharging cargo in London, proceeded to New York, and thence to San Francisco, and thence to the West Coast of America. The shipments from New York to the Far East were not so large as expected, this being due to the large number of foreign vessels operating from New York. First and second class passengers declined, while the third class passengers increased. The business of the Company was very brisk. North America was dangerous to a result.

of the activity of German submarines but it was fortunate that none of the Company's vessels were lost during the term under review.

American Service.—On the outward voyages the shipments from China showed a falling-off, but Japan's export trade with the United States was unprecedentedly large, all liners carrying full cargoes. On the return voyages the shipments of steel and cotton consigned to Japan and other Far Eastern countries were remarkably large. Besides the regular liners a chartered vessel was placed on the run. Hitherto a fortnightly service had been maintained between Hongkong and Seattle with two subsidized liners and four unsubsidized vessels. From June one more unsubsidized vessel was placed on the route, making a total of seven. The service between Hongkong and Seattle was then changed to a tri-weekly one with two subsidized and two unsubsidized vessels. Between Kobe and Seattle a tri-weekly service was started with three unsubsidized vessels. In other words, the number of vessels was increased by the preceding terms, thereby offering facilities to shippers from Japan. The Company has suffered much from the recent strike of stevedores on the other side of the Pacific.

Australian Service.—The shipments from Japan to Australia continued as brisk as during the preceding term. Foreign vessels on the route were very few. In addition to the regular liners the new cargo-boat Akita Maru was employed to meet the demands of export. On the homeward voyages there was abundant cargo consigned to Japan and Vladivostok. The passengers increased in first, second and third classes. From August the Akita Maru called at New Zealand en route to the Pacific, thereby contributing much to the development of Japan's trade with that country.

Bombay Service.—On the outgoing voyage there were larger shipments from Japan to the Straits Settlements and India than during the preceding period. Besides the regular liners four chartered vessels were employed. On the homeward voyage the shipments of cotton to Japan were enormous. Indian yarn consigned to China was less because of the lack of shipping accommodation. The number of passengers carried showed a considerable falling-off.

Cebu Service.—Owing to the great demand for foreign vessels in India and the scarcity of foreign vessels on this line the Company's liners carried full cargo on the outgoing voyages. In addition to the regular liners two chartered vessels were placed on the route. On the homeward voyages there were shipments from Cebu to Japan. Merchandise consigned to Europe from Japan via Cebu was very considerable. The passengers in the first and second class increased, but there was a decline in the number of steerage passengers.

New York Service.—This service was opened as a trial service by the Company from June. With the vessels monthly service was inaugurated between Hongkong and New York, calling en route on the outgoing voyages at the Philippines, Shanghai and Japan, and on San Francisco, and thence to the West Coast of America. On the return voyages the vessels called at the same ports. During the term under review three vessels started from Japan, and on the outgoing voyages there were large shipments, but the return voyages shipments were less because of the presence in New York of numerous foreign vessels.

General Remarks.—On account of the steady rise in the rate of freight on all the routes the total receipts of the Company were unprecedentedly large, amounting to ¥25,000,000, while the total expenditure amounted to ¥19,250,000. The Company is therefore able to declare a dividend at the rate of 28 per cent. per annum.

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TAL-KOKE/WHI	100	20	10	12	10	12
Unimproved Dock	100	20	10	12	10	12
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TUESDAY,

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Ice House Street, VALUABLE TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, &c., &c.

As follows:—

One Upholstered Suite, Arm-chairs and Sofas, Card Tables, Bedroom Furniture, comprising Double Brass-mounted Bedstead, Twin Bedsteads (Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner Waggon, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, Tea and Occasional Tables, etc., etc., Dinner Services, Crockery, Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, Toilet Set, etc., Bath Room Utensils, Large Roll-top Desk and Writing Tables, etc., Sundry Electric Plated Ware.

Also

Piano in good condition (by Carl Straus), Electric Reading Lamp, Blackwood and Teakwood Screens, a quantity of Blackwood Furniture, Pictures, Engravings, etc., Large Magic Lantern, &c., &c.

Gent's Bicycle (new), Oliver Type-writer, Tennis Racket and Netting, Air Gun, &c., Brass Finger Bowls, Caskets (new and second hand), Child's Cots, etc.

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Hongkong, Dec. 13, 1918. 1338

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TUESDAY,

the 19th December, 1918, at 11 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street, A Number of Lots of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, &c., &c.

Comprising:—

Gold Watches, Gold Chains, Tie Pins, Jade and Diamond Rings, Brooches and Ornaments, &c., &c.

Also

A quantity of Silver Ware, Cups, Vases, &c., &c.

On view day of Sale.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash.

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Hongkong, Dec. 9, 1918. 1337

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (For account of the concerned), on

SATURDAY,

the 22nd December, 1918, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of

Ice House Street, A Large Assortment of CHINESE PORCELAINS, EMBROIDERIES, KAKEMONOS, &c., &c.

Comprising:—

A large variety of 4-coloured and 2-coloured Vases and Plates, Blue and White Vases and Figures, &c., Old Bronzes, including Inlaid Banners of the Sung and Ming Dynasties, Chinese Cloisonné, Smalt, Bottles, Mandarin Flasks, and Beads (Amber, Jade, and Ivory), Carved Bamboo Ware, Old Bone, Ivory, and Jade, &c., &c.

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On view day of Sale.

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Hongkong, Dec. 11, 1918. 1339

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (For account of the concerned), on

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

the 20th and 21st December, 1918, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m., at their premises "The Old Post Office Building," Queen's Road Central.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CHINESE PORCELAINS, EMBROIDERIES, KAKEMONOS, &c., &c.

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Hongkong, Dec. 11, 1918. 1340

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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WEDNESDAY,

the 27th December, 1918, at 11 a.m., at their To Kwa Wai Godown, Salvaged Cargo ex S.S. "WISLEY," comprising:—

About 400 drums of Caustic Soda.

About 15 drums of "Napthalene" Flake.

About 60 casks of Carbonate of Ammonia.

About 30 casks of Oxide of Iron.

Twenty Braining Machines, "for covering electric cables."

Three small Electric Motors.

Eight machines and parts for cotton winding, (these are suitable for use in knitting factories).

One Marble Switchboard.

One Starting Regulator in cast iron case.

Nine direct current starting switches.

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Immediately following this sale the undesignated cargo will be sold on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Coy., Ltd.

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HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Dec. 11, 1918. 1317

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The following LIGHTHOUSE GEAR, &c., &c., &c.

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COMPANY MEETING.

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Green Island Cement Company was held yesterday at the offices of Messrs. Shaw, James & Co., general managers, for the purpose of considering and passing extraordinary resolutions. The Hon. Mr. C. E. Anton presided, and there were also present:—Messrs. Robert, Mr. A. C. Long (Directors), Mr. R. Henderson (Secretary), and Messrs. R. Shaw, Mr. M. Gordon, J. A. Young, R. Hancock, J. P. Lammert, J. S. Hartman, M. A. Frigueredo, and The Tsan-tai (shareholders).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the resolutions just read by the Secretary as embodied in the notice convening this meeting, require little explanation to me, as the proposals they contain have simply in view a reduction of the Company's paid up capital from \$4,000,000 to \$3,000,000 by returning to shareholders \$1,000,000 in cash. As you are no doubt aware, the reason for bringing these proposals before you is that the Company has much more money in hand than it can make use of in its business, and it is not anticipated that, in the near future, funds in any large amount will be required for extension or such like expenditure. Your Directors have therefore found it a difficult matter to make use of the Company's liquid funds, and although, as you may know, a certain amount of profit has been made by manipulating such funds, it is now felt that it will not under present conditions, be sound policy to continue financial operations of the kind involved, as without permanently investing the money the risks incurred are too great and are not justifiable in the case of an industrial concern like ours. The dividend for the current year will, of course, be payable on the present capital of \$4,000,000, and although if and when the proposed return of \$1,000,000 to shareholders is made, the future receipts from interest will, to a certain extent, be reduced, it is hoped that in the years to come the proved working profits, now easily offsetting such interest, will be sufficient to make up for the loss. Since the advertisement of the notice convening this meeting was given, the Company's solicitors have intimated that they deem it advisable that, although not strictly legally necessary, a parenthesis should be inserted by way of amendment in the first resolution after the words "and that such reduction be effected by returning," which occur in the middle of the first resolution as set out in the advertisements convening this meeting, which are as follows:—The parenthesis being as follows:—(The Company's Board of Directors shall appoint) and the amendment proposed will have the effect of enabling the directors to fix a date on which the shareholders who are to receive the refund of capital may be ascertained. I have now therefore to intimate, so that the procedure adopted may be quite in order, that I will first of all propose, the resolution in the form which it has appeared in the columns of the local newspapers. I therefore propose:—"That the Company be reduced from \$4,000,000 (Four million dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares of \$10 (Ten dollars) each, to \$3,000,000 (Three million dollars) divided into 300,000 (Three hundred thousand) shares of \$10 (Ten dollars) each, and that such reduction be effected by returning to the holders of the 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares that have been issued, paid up capital to the extent of \$1,000,000 (One million dollars) in cash, and by reducing the nominal amount of each of the said shares from \$10 (Ten dollars) to \$7.50 (Seven dollars and fifty cents)."

Mr. Hancock seconded, and the proposition was carried.

Mr. Anton then proposed:—"That the resolution be amended by the insertion of the parenthesis (On such date as the Company's Board of Directors shall appoint), and that the resolution be amended accordingly as to read as follows:—"That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$4,000,000 divided into 400,000 shares of \$10 each, to \$3,000,000 divided into 300,000 shares of \$10 each, and that such reduction be effected by returning (on such date as the Company's Board of Directors shall appoint) to the holders of the 400,000 shares that have been issued, paid up capital to the extent of \$1,000,000 in cash, and by reducing the nominal amount of each of the said shares from \$10 to \$7.50."

Mr. Shaw seconded, and this was agreed to.

The Chairman:—I have now to propose the second resolution, and that is:—"That application be made to the Supreme Court of Hongkong to confirm the reduction of the capital of the Company in conformity with the foregoing resolution."

Mr. Young seconded, and this was agreed to.

This was all the business.

SHIPPING REPRISALS.

THE TON FOR TON PROPOSAL.

A ton of German shipping for every ton of British shipping that Hun submarines have destroyed is a basis of peace negotiations advocated by the Hon. Evelyn Cecil, M.P., and widely accepted in commercial circles.

Mr. Wing recently asked Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons if he would make a public statement on behalf of the Government and the Allies that in any settlement with our enemies, the Allies will demand ship for ship, ton for ton for the replacement of ships sunk in contravention of the well-known laws and usages of naval warfare, and will accept an assurance to be given to neutral nations that like demands will be made for them as for the Allied nations.

Mr. Cecil to an "Evening Standard" representative:—"I believe that Germany would feel that more than anything else it would certainly make them think twice."

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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ULTIMATUM TO GREECE.

ATHENS, Dec. 15.
An ultimatum which expires in 24 hours was handed to the Greek Government at 8 o'clock on the 14th inst.

It demands the withdrawal of the entire Greek force from Thessaly, the transfer of a specified proportion to Peloponnesus with arms and ammunition.

Demands for reparation of the events on December 1st and 2nd will follow.

THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

LONDON, Dec. 15.
A French communiqué says:—There is intermittent artillery firing on the whole of the Macedonian front, especially in the Doiran region. Our fire dispersed an enemy column north of Monastir. Allied airmen are most active.

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

ATTEMPTED ENEMY ADVANCE CHECKED.
LONDON, Dec. 15.
A Russian wireless official message states:—Our artillery stopped an attempted advance to the south of Kishin, and held up an offensive from Grubovka on both sides of the Tarnopol-Zolotchev railway.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

STRONG FRENCH ATTACKS.
LONDON, Dec. 15.
A German official announcement states:—We repulsed a triple attack to the southwest of Malancourt, while, after a strong preparatory fire, extending far and near, the French attacked in waves at Cote de Poivre, but failed.

THE ENEMY ARMIES.

HOW THEY ARE DISTRIBUTED.

PARIS, Dec. 15.
An official statement says that on December 1st the enemy forces were distributed as follows:—

	Divisions.
Western Front	128
Russian Front	106
Rumanian Front	29
Macedonian Front	12
Italian and Albanian Fronts	38
Total	303

SEAPLANES DO EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.

LONDON, Dec. 15.
The Admiralty state that seaplanes on the 14th heavily bombed Kuli Burgas bridge, southward of Adrianople. The damage is extensive.

DETERMINATION OF THE ALLIES.

LONDON, Dec. 15.
Mr. Lloyd George has exchanged messages with M. Trochu, Signor Bonelli and M. de Brocqueville containing mutual assurances of strengthening friendships and unflinching efforts to secure victory, of common ideals and of adherence to the pledges given to Belgium.

THE DANGER TO HOLLAND.

THE DUTCH GOVERNMENT'S PRECAUTIONS.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 15.
Replying on the Budget Report for 1917, the Minister of State said that Holland's munition supply was daily increasing. The Government was still of opinion there was a danger of Holland being dragged into the war; therefore it was unavoidable that sufficient military forces should be at her immediate disposal.

THE BEST COUGH MEDICINE.

CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy is the best cough medicine in the world. It is a simple, safe, and effective remedy for all coughs, colds, and whooping cough. It is sold by all chemists and druggists.

THE STRUGGLE IN RUMANIA.

GERMANS CAPTURE BUZEU.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

A German official announcement states:—

We have captured Buzeu.

A Russian wireless official message says:—

The Russo-Rumanians are falling back at Buzeu under pressure. In consequence of this retirement, the troops occupying the River Jalomitza are retiring.

A Bulgarian communiqué states:—

Our advanced detachments have reached the Bukharest-Petesti Railway.

Russian warships bombarded Balchik.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE NEW BRITISH WAR CREDIT.

EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES EXCEEDED.

THE NEED FOR A CENTRAL CONTROL.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law moved a credit vote of £400,000,000, which, he said, would suffice until February 24th. The average daily expenditure had risen to £5,715,000. The total credit vote for the financial year had been £1,950,000,000, which was £350,000,000 above the estimate. The increase was mainly due to munitions and loans to the Allies and the Dominions. The extent of the increase in munitions was enormous; it was almost incredible. This was striking proof of the country's vitality. The increase under the heading "Loans to Allies and the Dominions" amounted to £400,000 daily. The increase, however, had gone entirely to the Allies, as the Dominions had been able to finance their expenditure.

Mr. Bonar Law emphasised Germany's advantage in the matter of controlling the resources of her Allies, and declared that the Allies Governments had been endeavouring to secure a central control. Much had been done in this connection in the past six months. He believed that the rapidity of victory depended on the extent to which the resources of the Allies, in men, money and munitions, could be thrown into the common cause. The House unanimously adopted the vote of credit.

PEACE OFFERS.

GENERAL VON HINDENBURG'S.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 15.

General von Hindenburg has telegraphed Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg congratulating him on his speech which he had read with "deep emotion and great satisfaction, as it is a great moral demonstration of the strength of Germany. We soldiers know that at present there is no higher or holier duty than prosecuting victory with the utmost energy, and living and dying for the Kaiser and the Fatherland."

The Chancellor replied:—"The deeds of the army on land, and our deeds on the water, have cleared the way for a magnificent decision by the Kaiser and his Allies. If it does not please our enemies to terminate the war to-day, our soldiers will fight to secure for the Fatherland a strong and lasting peace."

REJOICINGS BY GERMAN SOLDIERS.

FLUSHING, Dec. 15.

There have been great rejoicings among the German soldiers at the various Belgian frontier places, they believing that peace was imminent. Their behaviour everywhere was such as to indicate that they were a victorious army.

GERMANY AND LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.

The German Embassy has authorized the statement that it is certain that one of the most important subjects for discussion at the Peace Conference would be the universal limitation of armaments.

RUSSIA AND PEACE.

PROPOSALS SCORNFULLY DESPISED.

PETERSBURG, Dec. 15.

A semi-official note scornfully criticises the peace proposals and declares that all the innumerable sacrifices of the Allies would be nullified by a premature peace, which the money exhausted but not brought down.

M. BRIAND INDISPOSED.

PARIS, Dec. 15.
M. Briand, the Premier, is indisposed, due to strain in speaking and replying to interminable interpellations for six hours.

FRANCE ORGANISING NATIONAL DEFENCE.

PARIS, Dec. 15.

The Government has introduced a Bill authorising the Government to take, by decree, measures necessary for national defence, especially regarding agriculture, the industrial output, recruiting labour and the sale and distribution of commodities.

FRANCE TO SUPPRESS ALCOHOL.

PARIS, Dec. 15.

A Bill has been drafted to suppress the consumption of alcohol and its requisition for defence purposes.

DEALING WITH STRIKERS AT LIVERPOOL.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

Mr. Hodge, the new Minister of Labour, has announced that he is dealing in a drastic manner under the Munitions and Defence of the Realm Acts with the boiler makers' strike at Liverpool. The strike is interfering with work of vital importance, and it arose against the leaders advice over an award in connection with the increased cost of living. Mr. Hodge's offer to hear the grievances if work is resumed has been disregarded.

SAFEGUARDING POTATO SUPPLY.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

The Food Controllers, at the instance of the Board of Trade, have issued regulations safeguarding the 1917 supply of seed potatoes.

FOOD AND SHIPPING CONTROL.

LONDON, Dec. 14.

A correction to the message received on the 11th inst., giving the personnel of the new Cabinet, indicates that Lord Davenport has been appointed Food Controller, Sir Joseph Macay, Shipping Controller.

FALL OF AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.

GERMAN INFLUENCE.

ZURICH, Dec. 15.

The fall of the Koerber Cabinet is due to the influence of Germany, who is displeased at Count Koerber's firmness towards Hungary. Germany favours a conciliatory Austrian policy in Hungary, with the object of establishing closer political and economic relations between Austria, Germany and Hungary. Herr Spitzmuller, who is forming the new Cabinet, is an ex-employee of the Deutsche bank.

SHIPS SUNK.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

The latest sinkings are *St. Ursula*, *Harlyn* (Hullington) and *Burnhope* (Strith's); *Boer* (Norwegian) *Emma* (Laurens) and a four masted barge (French).

P. & O. ANNUAL MEETING.

INCREASED PASSENGER RATES.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

Presiding over the P. & O. annual meeting, Lord Inchcape foreshadowed an increase in passenger rates next year. He paid a tribute to the Captain and crew of the *Arabia* for safely transferring 720 persons to the boats in fifteen minutes. The Company had received hundreds of letters from passengers expressing appreciation of their rescue, and the arrangements made for their comfort, on which the company spent £10,000.

The P. & O. capital, the Chairman mentioned, was now seven and a half millions. The financial situation had been most closely investigated, and the result was quite reassuring. He hinted that the deferred dividend would be reduced.

Referring to submarine, Lord Inchcape said that if all the stories were true, submarines were constantly being sunk, and he was confident that the Navy would overcome the momentary difficulties.

DANISH WEST INDIES.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15.

A plebiscite on the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States has resulted in 283,694 votes in favour and 157,596 against.

SERBIA'S INDEPENDENCE.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

Mr. Lloyd George and M. Paichich have exchanged messages on the Allies determination to prosecute the war until Serbia's independence is restored.

HONOUR FOR LORD SYDENHAM.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

The Painters Company have conferred a Freedom on Lord Sydenham in recognition of his great services to the Empire, particularly as Governor of Bombay.

Lord Sydenham, in acknowledging the honour, said he had done his utmost for the Empire for many years in various capacities for war.

LATEST EDITION.

STOP PRESS NEWS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH OFFENSIVE IN MESOPOTAMIA.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

An official report from Mesopotamia states:—

We assumed the offensive on the 13th and 14th inst.

Effectively bombarding the positions at Samarra we secured the left bank of the Tigris River between Atab and Basra, and crossed to the right bank, penetrating to a depth of one and a half miles.

Cavalry cleared the Turks from their trenches at Kalabajihaan, near Kut-el-Amara.

Our casualties are slight.

THE EAST AFRICAN CAMPAIGN.

LONDON, Dec. 15.

An official report says that since the 5th inst. considerable German forces have repeatedly attacked the troops holding Port Kibata, southwards of the Rufiji Delta, but have been repulsed.

Heavy rains are falling in all the zones.

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, in their weekly report, dated December 15th state:—

Our market during the week has had an improving tendency all round, and in consequence business has been brisker than for some time past. The curious feature, however, is that prices have advanced for cash in the face of tighter money. Sterling Exchange has advanced sharply and the dollar stands at the highest point attained since 1892. Local investment stocks, however, have not declined to any extent, and it would appear that most of the heavy selling has already been done by those wishing to take advantage of the high Exchange.

In Shanghai the market is better all round in consequence of a slightly easier feeling in the money market.

Rubber comes through from London at 2s. 11½d. per lb.

BANKS.—Hongkong Bank is a quiet market at 7½% with no business to report.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have come to business to a small extent at 3½% and 4½% are offering at 4½%.

North China Tls. 122 are quiet with nothing doing.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong Fire is in small demand at 3½% and China Fire at 3½% are a neglected market.

Wharves.—Docking have buyers at 112½, probably slightly higher rates would be paid. Deferred rates have been the medium of a fair business at various rates between 114 and 115, closing with buyers at 114. Star Ferries could probably be placed at 117½, and Steamboats are offering at 121.

REFINERIES.—China Sogara have cash buyers at 113½ with 113½ offering for March. Malabars are in steady demand at 127.

ONS AND MIXING.—Langkats have changed 113 and 114 are offering to continue to offer at 83½ with no buyers over 82. Urals at 324.91 and Tronohi at 306 are unchanged from last week. Shells at 104s. are a neglected market.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Rowdon Wharves have strengthened to a buying rate of 88½ with 88½ freely offered for March. Hongkong Docks have come to business at 113 for cash and 113½ for March. Shanghai Docks have advanced from Tls. 87½, last week's rate, to a cash buying rate of Tls. 90, with a fair amount of business resulting.

LANDS, HOMES AND BUILDINGS.—Contracts at 101 and Hongkong Lands at 807 are quiet with nothing doing. Hongkong Hotels have enquiries at 115.

Humphreys could be placed at 84.90, whilst West Points at 85 and Rowdon Lands at 83 are quiet.

CORPORATE MIZEN.—Following the declaration of a dividend, are quoted Tls. 157½ with probable buyers at the rate. Kung Yik is wanted at Tls. 15 and Yangtzeports at Tls. 64. Shanghai Cottons steadily advanced during the week until Tls. 157 was done for cash with Tls. 153 for March. At the close the market is practically the same.

ELECTRIC COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric are offering at 95 and China Lights have come to business at 94.

Hongkong Trams after business at 97 are offering at the rate.

MILKMASTERS.—China Borneo at 80½ and China Providents at 80.90 are quiet with nothing doing. Wm. Powells have buyers at 86.40. Dairy Farms are offering at 25½. Water-Boats have changed hands at 87.

BAKER.—The demand rate on London is 2½ 11-12 and the T.T. selling rate on Shanghai nominal.

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FIGHTING SMALL-POX.

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SCENES IN WESTERN AREA.

Hongkong, alive to its responsibility, is doing all in its power to stamp out the ravages of small-pox. What is a very gratifying feature and an almost sure sign of its ultimate eradication is the manner in which the Chinese have come forward and helped to assist the authorities by being vaccinated. When the Sanitary Department decided on its new policy, it was hardly anticipated such whole-hearted willingness on the part of the Chinese, especially from those in the slum areas of the Western district, would be met with. They are actually crowding in by hundreds to be inoculated. The small-pox epidemic, as has already been stated in the *China Mail*, exists in First, Second and Third Streets and High Street, between Eastern Street on one side and Western Street on the other. The campaign against the disease has been in operation only two days and no less than 1,500 of the inhabitants within the stricken area have received the injection. The medical officer of health (Dr. W. Woodman) has set up an out-of-door vaccination surgery and is working indefatigably with the assistance of Inspectors Thompson and Davis of the Sanitary Department in the hope of getting the infected area cleansed before the end of the year. Dr. S. W. Tao, the head of the Western District Dispensary, and the Kaisongs are rendering excellent help. The dispensary in Third Street was packed with Chinese waiting their turn but the work was to-day hampered by the want of experienced assistance. The work at the Dispensary is heavy at any time, to-day it is trebly so. Dr. Tao stated to a representative of the *China Mail* this morning that he could employ ten men experienced in vaccination. The two assistants given him by the P. C. M. O., at the Government Civil Hospital were "not" forthcoming owing to a demand for pecuniary emolument. Dr. Tao declares he is willing to pay them a fair price for their work and at the moment our representative called upon him he had sent a messenger to the P. C. M. O., to consult with him on the price to be paid. The hitch, it is hoped, will have been got over by Monday. The University have sent three students, Chong Wing Kai, Fong Wing Kan and another, named Wong, to assist in various departments of the work. At present vaccination at the Dispensary is being carried on as rapidly as possible by Dr. Chin.

The area in which small-pox is confined is estimated to have a population of 15,000 and of the four streets the average number of houses is 140 and the average number of occupants in each house 25. The work in the street is laborious. Men, women and children flock round the doctor's chair and threaten to bundle him over, tubes, knives and all. That Chinese have a big belief in vaccination, is instanced by the fact that out of the large number who have come forward only three have refused. Fifteen hundred old women come hobnobbing along, pull back a sleeve and extend a lean, sinewy arm to the doctor muttering some incoherent incantation. Middle-aged women with children in arms undergo the operation. The babies look on with a peculiar childish interest; some do not even blink as the sharply pointed knife scratches the skin, while others turn away and burst into a flood of tears. The number of children from between the ages of four and twelve that come forward is really remarkable and they are all anxious to be "done." Quite a number of these come from neighbouring streets. In addition to the street vaccinations a house-to-house visit is being carried on in addition. Inspector Thompson and the Chinese students are assisting in this direction. Vaccinations are proceeding at the rate of 750 a day and it is estimated that 2,000 of the inhabitants will be carrying the antitoxia serum before the day is out. One notable result of the campaign against small-pox is that there has been no dumping of dead disease-ridden bodies since the week began.

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NEWS FROM HOME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, November 4.

WAR CHARITY.

Among the contributors to war charities and the services the residents in various parts of the Far East have figured very creditably. "Our Day" collections for the Red Cross a week ago brought donations attached to names well known in China. The Straits Settlements and F.M.S. have also figured well, especially in supplying aeroplanes and similar fighting gear. Now through the public subscriptions from the F.M.S. the Military Hospital at Blackmore End, Kimpton, Hertfordshire, has been enlarged by the addition of a new ward, containing 44 beds.

THE CHINA SOCIETY.

Though the China Society, in common with other similar bodies, has suspended most of its activity during the war and eliminated the dinner and other functions, the members are to participate in a reception at the Connaught Rooms on November 10, when the Chinese Minister and other notables will be present.

RUSS IN BUSINESS.

The publicity that has been given to the continuance of enemy firms, under official supervision, has resulted in a spirit being set in motion in Whitehall. A score or so of prominent firms are now being actually wound up, and the others are receiving far more attention than in the past. It seems incredible that it should have taken two years and more of war to reach this point, but the wheels of bureaucracy are notoriously laboured.

The interest in the matter is reflected in the resolutions passed yesterday by the Court of Common Council, requesting the Government to give effect to the earliest possible realisation of every Alien enemy holding or partnership in business, with a view to the early and complete elimination of all Alien enemy influence or interest, past and future.

The closing at the earliest possible moment of all Alien enemy banks in the country.

That in future the nationalisation of the enemy Aliens should be drastically restricted.

That no person except he be of British parentage should be allowed to sit in the House of Lords, House of Commons, or the Privy Council, or be a member of any representative assembly or public body whatever.

That all certificates of naturalisation granted since 1904 should be reviewed by a tribunal appointed for that purpose by the Government.

It was also agreed that "Every firm, individual, or corporation carrying on business in the United Kingdom should be required to register the name or names which has or have been changed and in the case of the individual, his or her birth name."

Partners, in such firms, are also to disclose their old names, in Italy, under a heavy penalty. If the change has taken place in the last five years, should the Government agree to this recommendation.

ENEMY TONNAGE.

There appears to be ground for the assertions that the enemy are planning to keep their shipping going to the end, and that at the conclusion of the war their building for themselves and their reduction of British, Allied and neutral shipping by submarine warfare, will have placed them in the lead for the carrying trade of the world.

These statements, especially concerning the Austrians and Germans, have roused the shipping men of this country, who are in difficulties as to

new tonnage because of the labour shortage, and at a meeting yesterday at the Baltic London merchants called upon the Government for an immediate declaration that the terms of peace will include the surrender from the enemy powers of an amount of mercantile shipping equivalent in tonnage at least to that of the Allies sunk by the enemy during the war. Mr. Pugs Croft, M.P., declared himself in favour of demanding keel for keel, and ton for ton. He would go further, and demand the same for the smaller nations who had suffered loss.

Norway is the present object of the shipping companies of Christiania are serious. The object is of course, to deprive England of the supplies from Scandinavia and of the use of neutral shipping in the waters of the world. Feeling in Scandinavia is becoming very strained, and I understand that Sweden have given Germany the hint that in the event of a breach with Norway, Sweden will side with the latter.

LABOUR UNREST.

The price of foodstuffs—bread is to rise to 10d. the quarter loaf on Monday—and the prospect of black labour being brought to this country to work at the docks, are matters that are agitating the labour world, and the dockers are already straining at the leash. As to the price of food, the workers have a good case, for the conditions to-day are very trying indeed. The South Wales men threaten to strike if something effective is not done with the problem, but the Government does not seem able to handle the matter with losing benefit. One big man in the Baltic Exchange declares the Government made such a noise about what they would do that maize and other grain went up in South America to high levels at once, whereas before that it had been selling at the same price as before the war.

But the shipowners are doing all right. A firm with two steamers at Cardiff has been bought out by another firm and the purchase price, plus the dividend already received, brings to the shareholders no less than 140 per cent. on their investment within two years.

POTATOES.

Potatoes are among the crops that have failed this year to come up to expectations. There is a definite shortage in the Irish crop, which is only about two-thirds of the normal, and this, no doubt, has helped to accentuate the trouble in the English market. Mr. Runciman of the Board of Trade says the difficulties of the situation, but while there is a shortage in the English supply, most shortages have been emphasised by the lack of labour and the bad weather.

The main crop has not yet been raised and put on the market, because the farmers were using all their efforts to get as much wheat down as possible. Mr. Runciman thinks this is a welcome sign that the farmers are bent on supplying bread next year, and in a few weeks he expects the potato supply to be augmented.

As in many similar things, the well-to-do are causing part of the trouble by buying immense stocks, so that the price goes up and the poorer people have to stint themselves. If the price goes much higher many people will have to cut their consumption down materially—a change that some assert will be beneficial, at any rate to the lat and the sufferers from rheumatism.

A FOOD MINISTER.

We may yet have a Food Minister to put us on rations. The name most favoured is that of Lord Milner, who might be described as an energetic bureaucrat. One of the criticisms one hears is that the Government are too much inclined to laissez faire. A north country member is keen to have a government-controlled supply of fish available at reasonable prices. He points out

that the Government have obtained control of the output of the Norwegian fisheries but much of it is being allowed to go to Italy and other Catholic countries, whereas it would do infinite good here. He points to the fine physique of the Scottish nation and claims that it is due to a diet of potatoes, porridge and herring.

LORD ROSEBURY'S WARNING.

Lord Rosebury has done good service in warning the world that the nation would not tolerate a Minister who prated of peace before the end is achieved. His speech ranks with the Lloyd George interview, stating that America must not interfere with peace proposals at this juncture. Lord Rosebury enjoys the confidence of those in high places in an unusual degree and his words were not spoken at random. There have been reports here that feelers for peace, beginning with an armistice, will shortly come from Potsdam. As they are hinted at, they have been obviously designed to attract the British eye, but Russia and France would certainly look askance at them, and it is truly German to imagine that we would be led away by superficial attractiveness to ourselves at the expense of our Allies. Maybe our precious pacifists will whine, but the nation is glad that Lord Rosebury has spoken their views in advance.

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V.D.

RETURNED.
Sgt. F. G. Morris is permitted to resign from 14.12.16.

Pte. B. S. Benjamin is permitted to resign from 20.12.16.

LEAVE.
Pte. H. L. Denney is granted 3 weeks leave from 13.12.16.

TRANSFERRED.
On P. Tod is transferred to Scout Company from Belcher's "B" Section from this date.

RETIRED OFF.
Sgt. F. G. Mairmont is struck off the strength of the Corps from this date.

ENGINEER COMPANY.
Detail of Engineer Company at Lyemun from 18th to 21st December, 1916, has been posted at Headquarters.

NOVITARY.
The undermentioned men will attend for Musketry at King's Park Range on Sunday, 17th inst., at 9 a.m.:

Recruits Part 2:—Sgt. T. Gibbison, J. H. Gordon, A. W. Hurlow, T. Leeman, D. W. Munton, N. McArthur, E. A. McEwen, S. Munn, J. Morris, W. J. O'Brien, L. Puse, L. N. Straube, L. Souza, Pte. P. Tanquer, G. W. Brown.
Honoured Men Part 2:—C.S.M. D. K. Blair, Sgt. H. F. Haines, Sgt. P. Anderson, M. T. H. Blake, C. Dickens, J. H. Hansen, M. Houghton, T. Johnston.

PARADES.
Sunday, 17th inst.:
6.00 a.m. Musketry King's Park Range (as in 6th above). Range Officer, Lieutenant Raworth; Officer i/c Duties, Captain Preston.

3.00 p.m. Scout Company at Headquarters in marching order with 20 rounds ball ammunition.

4.00 p.m. Helms "B" Section at Belcher's Battery in marching order with 20 rounds ball ammunition.

Monday, 18th inst.:
8.10 p.m. Scout Company at Headquarters in marching order with 20 rounds ball ammunition.

5.15 p.m. Left Section M.G. Co. drill at Kowloon Dock. Hongkong residents present by launch from Statue Wharf at 4.30 p.m.

5.15 p.m. Recruits of all units at Headquarters under Corps Orders.

5.30 p.m. Signalling Section at R. A. Theatre.

Tuesday, 19th inst.:
5.15 p.m. Signalling Section at R. A. Theatre.

5.15 p.m. Mounted Section at Jockey Club Stables.

Wednesday, 20th inst.:
5.15 p.m. Artillery Battery platform drill at Headquarters.

Thursday, 21st inst.:
5.30 p.m. Signalling Section at R. A. Theatre.

Friday, 22nd inst.:
5.15 p.m. Recruits of all units at Headquarters. O.S.M. Mitchell and Corp. Grimes will attend.

5.30 p.m. Signalling Section at R. A. Theatre. All units (except Engineer Company) at Headquarters for night operations. (Time will be notified later).

DETAILS.
On duty 24th inst.: Artillery Battery.

On duty 26th and 28th inst.: Belcher's Section.

On duty 27th inst.: Centre, Section M.G. Co.

On duty 28th inst.: Eight Section M.G. Co.

On duty 29th and 30th inst.: Scouts Company.

Orderly Officer from 24th to 30th inst.: Lieut. Ross.

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CASES IN COURT.
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POLICE SCHOOL.
Monday, Dec. 18th.—Class I. (Chief Inspector Kerr).

Tuesday, Dec. 19th.—Class II. (Inspector Gordon).

Thursday, Dec. 21st.—Class III. (Inspector Gerrard).

Friday, Dec. 22nd.—Class IV. (Inspector P. O'Sullivan).

SERVICE BOARD.
Thursday, Dec. 21st.—No. 2 Company, Band and Orchestra.

Friday, Dec. 22nd.—No. 1 and 2 Platoons and Water Police.

Wednesday, Dec. 27th.—No. 8 Company, Band and Orchestra.

Thursday, Dec. 28th.—No. 4 Company, Ambulance Platoon, Mounted Police, Maxim Gunners and Motor Patrols.

INSPECTION OF ARMS.
No. 1 Company and Maxim Gunners (including medical examples) will return their rifles to the Armoury between 5.15 and 6.45 p.m. as follows:

Tuesday, Dec. 19th.—Nos. 1 and 2 Sections and Maxim Gunners.
Friday, Dec. 22nd.—Nos. 3 and 4 Sections.

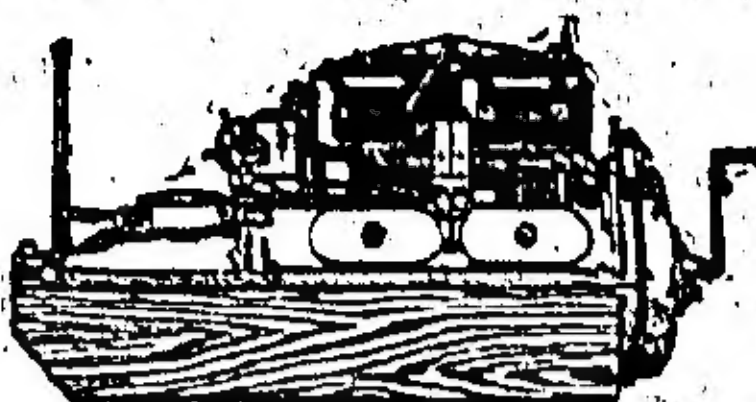
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Responses, Psalms, Venite, Crotch; Psalm, 88 (Rimant); Te Deum, Russell, Jones and Fry; Jubilate, Crotch (3rd evening); Anthem "O that thou hadst hearkened" Sullivan; Hymns, 51.

"God Save the King."

Evensong (5.45 p.m.)
Responses, Psalms, Hymns, Woodward, Monk; Magnificat, Fitzherbert (5th evening); Nunc Dimittis, Rimant (5th evening); Hymns, 48, 50, 54 (T 4).

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Morning Service at 11 a.m.—Hymns, 363, 322, 323, 325. Subject: The Sunday Question.

Evening Service at 6 p.m.—Hymns, 509, 270, 328, 325.
Fraser: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

Peak Church.

Evening Service at 6.30.
St. Peter's Church, West Point.

8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10.30 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
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Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

Monday, Gospel Meeting for Chinese 7.30 p.m.

Tuesday, Exposition of Scripture, 8 p.m.
Bible Class 8 p.m.
Saturday, Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist,
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Sunday, 11 a.m.
Wednesday, 5.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church,
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Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m.
Sunday Evening Service 6.15 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home,
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Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church,
GARDON ROAD.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

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High Mass at 8 a.m.
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Per P. & O. s.s. Kashmir. From London Nov. 10, Mr. and Mrs. Avenall and child.

Per N. Y. K. s.s. Atsuta Maru. From London, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Leask and two children, Mr. R. Halliday and child, Miss Starkey, Mrs. Sanders and child, Mr. J. P. Chambers, Mr. A. Forbes, Mr. A. D. Yow.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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Hongkong, Dec. 16, 1916.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.
Mail.

The P. & O. Outward Mail str. *Earmala* with the 1000 tons of the 30th ultimo, arrived at Port Said on Tuesday, the 12th inst.

Other Vessels.
The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Japan* from Calcutta, left Singapore on 14th inst. and may be expected here on or about the 20th inst.

The Pacific Mail Co.'s s.s. *Euclid* left Yokohama on 12th inst. for Hongkong via Kobe, Shanghai and Manila and is expected to arrive here on 22nd inst.

The Pacific Mail Co.'s s.s. *Colombia* will leave San Francisco for Hongkong on March 10th, via Honolulu and Japan Ports.

The C.M.S.S. Co.'s s.s. *China* arrived in Hongkong on Tuesday, 12th inst. and will call from there on 22nd inst. She is due to arrive in Hongkong on 20th prox.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

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T. F. CHURCH, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 16, 1916.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The British steamer *Kowloon* from Hongkong reports—Strong N.E. monsoon, clear weather.

The Chinese steamer *Hsin Chang* from Shanghai reports—Heavy N.E. wind and following sea.

WEATHER REPORT.
On the 16th at noon—No returns from Japanese stations.

Pressure has decreased slightly at all stations reporting; it remains highest over North China and is relatively low over the south part of the China Sea.

"Fog" to strong monsoon will prevail over North part of the China Sea.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 17th December—
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Myosin Maru, Japanese str., 1,740 T. Tsunoki, Tainan Dec. 10, Coal.—M. E. K.

Hsin Chang, Chinese str., 1,258 W. Munro, Shanghai Dec. 13, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

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DEPARTURES.
December 16.
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